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Tunbridge Wells.

**THE ANNUAL REPORT**  
**of the**  
**MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH**  
**FOR THE YEAR 1968**




SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH  
AREA

*With the Compliments  
of the  
Medical Officer of Health*

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BOROUGH OF ROYAL TUNBRIDGE WELLS

A N N U A L   R E P O R T

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the year 1968



BOROUGH OF ROYAL TUNBRIDGE WELLS

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HEALTH COMMITTEE:

(Constitution at 31st December, 1968).

The Mayor (Alderman K.J.G. Morrison, J.P.) Chairman  
Mr. Alderman D. Savage. Mr. Councillor D.K. Reich.  
Councillor Miss C. Cox. Mr. Councillor G.J.R. Slater.  
Mr. Councillor J.W. Lawrence. Mr. Councillor J.T. Spare.

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STAFF OF PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

Medical Officer of Health, Principal Medical Officer to Kent County Council  
(Area No:4): Visiting Medical Officer, Isolation Wing, Hawkenbury Hospital:  
Medical Referee Kent & Sussex Crematorium.

P.A. CROWLEY, M.B., CH.B., B.A.O., D.P.H.

Deputy Medical Officer of Health

Dorothy N. Ironside, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.  
(Also Assistant County Medical Officer, Kent County Council)

Chief Public Health Inspector

K.W. Willans (a, d, e, f and g)

Senior Public Health Inspector

T. Ellison (a and d)

District Public Health Inspectors

D. Britten (c) Appointed 26.8.68.  
A.J. Hughes (c and e) Resigned 12.7.68  
J.D. Smith (a, d and f)  
P.J. Wells (c)

Student Public Health Inspectors

D.A. Clarke  
Miss S. Perrett (appointed 23.9.68)

- (a) Certificate of Royal Sanitary Institute and Sanitary Inspectors' Examination Joint Board.
- (b) Certificate of the Public Health Inspectors' Education Board.
- (c) Diploma of the Public Health Inspectors' Education Board.
- (d) Meat and Other Foods Inspection Certificate of Royal Society of Health.
- (e) Smoke Inspectors' Certificate of Royal Society of Health.
- (f) Sanitary Science Certificate of Royal Society of Health.
- (g) Diploma, Royal Institute of Public Health and Hygiene.

CLERICAL STAFF

Chief Clerk:

Mrs.D.E.Tebbit.

Second Clerk:

Mrs.A.D.Simmons. (Resigned 28.7.68)

Miss W.Holman. (Appointed 12.8.68)

Public Health Inspectors' Clerk:

Mrs.M.A.Lewis.

Rodent Operator:

E.J.Smitherman.

Public Analyst:

R.C.Spalding, M.A., F.R.I.C.



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BOROUGH OF ROYAL TUNBRIDGE WELLS

Tel:No: Tonbridge 3329.

Public Health Offices,  
3, River Walk,  
TONBRIDGE.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors  
of the Borough of Royal Tunbridge Wells.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the health of the Borough for the year 1968, having taken up duties as Medical Officer of Health on the 6th January, 1969, following the retirement of Dr. P. A. Crowley on that date. From the address above it will also be noted that the office of the Medical Officer is now at Tonbridge, the transfer having taken place on 6th May, 1969.

The estimated mid-year population of the Borough given by the Registrar General was 43,930 compared with 43,490 for 1967 and as will be noticed continues the slight upward trend of recent years.

The total number of registered live births was 714 (383 males and 331 females) this figure being a little higher than last year's total of 675. The crude birth rate was 16.3 per 1,000 population, the corrected birth rate being 17.9 compared with 16.9 for England and Wales.

The number of deaths from all causes totalled 764 (309 males and 455 females). The crude death rate per 1,000 population was 17.4. The corrected death rate for the Borough was 9.9 compared with 11.9 for England and Wales.

Deaths of infants who died under one year of age numbered 11, giving an Infant Mortality rate of 15.0. The rate for England and Wales was 18.3. The Neo-Natal death rate (the number of deaths of infants under four weeks) was 9.8.

There were 22 deaths from Cancer of the lung and bronchus (20 males and 2 females) a slight reduction on last year's figure which was 31.

The number of notifiable infectious diseases recorded in the Borough was 234. This figure included 155 Measles, 39 Dysentery and 21 Whooping Cough.

There has been some legislative changes during 1968 in the notification of infectious diseases, in consonance with modern conditions. For example, Pneumonia is no longer notifiable, while Infective Jaundice now is.

During November and December the Mass Radiography Unit visited the town and during its stay the number of persons X-rayed was 6,872. The Survey was not confined to residents within the Borough.

On Page 21. of this Report, figures, kindly supplied by the County Medical Officer, are given showing the number of persons immunised and vaccinated during the year under review.

In conclusion I would like to express my thanks for the courtesy and co-operation I have received in the preparation of this Report.

I am, Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

R.G.BRENNEN.

Medical Officer of Health.

## V I T A L     S T A T I S T I C S

### Summary of Statistics:

## GENERAL

Area: 6,034 acres.

Population: 43,930 (R.G's Estimate 1968), Census figure for 1961: 39,869

Density of population, i.e., number of persons per acre: 7.3

Number of inhabited houses: 13,934

Rateable Value 1968: £2,084,757

Sum produced by a penny rate: £8,107.

## BIRTHS

Live Births (Registered)				<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Legitimate	...	...	...	647	350	297
Illegitimate	...	...	...	<u>67</u>	33	34
				714		

Crude Birth Rate per 1,000 population: 16.3

Corresponding rate for 1967:	15.5
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Standardised Birth Rate:	17.9
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Birth Rate for England and Wales: 16.9

## STILLBIRTHS

				<u>STILLBIRTHS</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Legitimate	...	...	...		8	4	4
Illegitimate	...	...	...		<u>1</u>	1	
					<u>9</u>		

Stillbirth Rate per 1,000 Births: 12.0

Corresponding Rate for 1967: 13.0

Stillbirth Rate for England and Wales	14.3
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## DEATHS

MALES: 309      FEMALES: 455      TOTAL: 764

Standardised Death Rate: 9.9

Corresponding Rate for 1967: 9.0

Crude Death Rate per 1,000 population: 17.4

Death Rate for England and Wales:	11.9
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Number of women dying in, or in consequence of  
childbirth: Nil

Maternity mortality per 1,000 total registered  
births: 0.0

# INFANTILE MORTALITY

Deaths of Infants under one year of age:	<u>Total:</u>	<u>Male:</u>	<u>Female:</u>
Legitimate ... ..	11	8	3
Illegitimate ... ..	-	-	-

Deaths of infants under one year of age per 1,000 live births ...	15.0
Corresponding rate for 1967 ...	19.0
Infant Mortality Rate for England and Wales	18.3

## NEO-NATAL MORTALITY:

Deaths of infants under one month of age per 1,000 live births:	9.8
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## EARLY NEO-NATAL MORTALITY:

Deaths of infants under one week of age per 1,000 live births:	7.0
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## PERINATAL MORTALITY:

Deaths of infants under one week of age per 1,000 live and stillbirths:	19.0
Perinatal mortality for England and Wales:	24.7

## TOTAL NUMBER OF DEATHS FROM:

	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
Cancer (all ages) ...	111	130
Measles (all ages) ...	-	-
Whooping Cough (all ages)...	-	-
Diarrhoea (Under 2 years)...	-	-



CAUSES OF DEATH IN CHILDREN UNDER ONE YEAR

	Under 24 hours	1 dy: to 1 wk:	1-2 wks:	2-3 wks:	3-4 wks:	Total under 4 wks:	1-3 mths:	3-6 mths:	6-9 mths:	9-12 mths:	Total
Other Infective and Parastic diseases	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2
Congenital Anomalies	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	2
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour etc:	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Other causes of Perinatal mortality	2	2	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	4

DEATHS FROM LUNG CANCER DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

YEAR	20 - 34 years		35 - 44 years		45 - 64 years		65 - 74 years		75 years and over		TOTAL	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
1959	-	-	-	-	11	-	6	5	3	1	20	6
1960	-	-	-	-	8	3	4	3	5	2	17	8
1961	1	-	-	-	9	4	9	1	4	1	23	6
1962	-	-	-	-	10	1	5	1	5	2	20	4
1963	-	-	1	-	7	4	4	4	8	2	20	10
1964	-	-	-	-	13	3	8	5	5	2	26	10
1965	-	-	-	-	8	2	6	-	6	-	20	2
1966	-	-	-	-	6	2	9	1	3	1	18	4
1967	-	-	-	1	7	2	11	2	7	1	25	6
1968	-	-	-	-	8	1	5	-	7	1	20	2
TOTALS:	1	-	2	1	78	22	70	19	54	16	205	58

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1968  
(supplied by the Registrar General).

CAUSE OF DEATH	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ... ..	1	-	1
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases ... ..	1	-	1
Malignant Neoplasm - Stomach ... ..	6	6	12
Malignant Neoplasm - Lung, Bronchus ... ..	20	2	22
Malignant Neoplasm - Breast ... ..	-	19	19
Malignant Neoplasm - Uterus ... ..	-	4	4
Leukaemia ... ..	-	1	1
Other Malignant Neoplasms, Etc. ... ..	34	37	71
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms ... ..	1	-	1
Diabetes Mellitus ... ..	1	1	2
Other Endocrine etc. Diseases ... ..	-	1	1
Anaemias ... ..	2	1	3
Other Diseases of Blood, Etc. ... ..	3	-	3
Mental Disorders ... ..	-	1	1
Other Diseases of Nervous System, Etc. ... ..	-	4	4
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease ... ..	5	-	5
Hypertensive Disease ... ..	6	14	20
Ischaemic Heart Disease ... ..	87	92	179
Other Forms of Heart Disease ... ..	16	46	62
Cerebrovascular Disease ... ..	32	100	132
Other Diseases of Circulatory System ... ..	12	33	45
Influenza ... ..	5	8	13
Pneumonia ... ..	24	29	53
Bronchitis and Emphysema ... ..	17	5	22
Asthma ... ..	2	-	2
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ... ..	2	5	7
Peptic Ulcer ... ..	1	1	2
Appendicitis ... ..	-	1	1
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia ... ..	-	1	1
Cirrhosis of Liver ... ..	2	1	3
Other Diseases of Digestive System ... ..	1	2	3
Nephritis and Nephrosis ... ..	1	1	2
Hyperplasia of Prostate ... ..	1	-	1
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System ... ..	2	6	8
Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System ... ..	-	6	6
Congenital Anomalies ... ..	4	1	5
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, Etc. ... ..	1	-	1
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality ... ..	2	3	5
Symptoms and Ill-Defined Conditions ... ..	5	7	12
Motor Vehicle Accidents ... ..	3	2	5
All Other Accidents ... ..	5	9	14
Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries ... ..	4	3	7
All Other External Causes ... ..	-	2	2
<b>TOTAL ALL CAUSES:</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>764</b>

Ages etc: of Cases of Notifiable Infectious Disease and Food Poisoning

	Total Cases (all ages)	Under 1 year	1 year	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 - 9 years	10-14 years	15-24 years	25 and over.	Age Un- known
Scarlet Fever	6	-	-	-	1	1	2	1	1	-	-
Measles	155	4	19	23	28	21	49	6	2	3	-
Whooping Cough	21	1	1	2	4	-	11	2	-	-	-
Pneumonia	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-
Erysipelas	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Dysentery	39	-	5	2	6	3	8	6	3	6	-
Infective Jaundice	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
TOTALS:-	234	5	25	27	39	25	70	15	6	22	-



# SEASONAL INCIDENCE OF NOTIFIABLE INFECTIOUS DISEASES

DISEASE	JAN:	FEB:	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG:	SEPT:	OCT:	NOV:	DEC:	TOTALS
Scarlet Fever	-	1	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	6
Measles	3	18	12	11	24	14	40	17	5	5	5	1	155
Whooping Cough	1	-	2	1	2	2	-	2	1	2	8	-	21
Pneumonia	6	2	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
Erysipelae	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Dysentery	-	-	-	22	-	5	4	5	-	-	-	3	39
Infective Jaundice	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	2
<u>Tuberculosis:</u>													
Pulmonary	1	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	7
Central Nervous System	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Forms	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
TOTALS:-	11	23	17	34	28	23	47	24	8	10	13	4	242

# TUBERCULOSIS

Age Periods	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 - 4 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 9 years	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 - 14 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 19 years	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
20 - 24 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 34 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 44 years	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-
45 - 54 years	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
55 - 64 years	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 - 74 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
75 and over	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Age unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals:-	1	6	1	-	2	-	-	-

## TUBERCULOSIS REGISTER

	1st			2nd			3rd			4th		
	Quarter			Quarter			Quarter			Quarter		
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
<b><u>Pulmonary Tuberculosis:-</u></b>												
Number of cases on register	139	104	243	138	106	244	138	106	244	140	107	247
New Notifications	-	4	4	-	1	1	1	1	2	-	-	-
Cases removed and subsequently restored	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other cases added to register (Inward Transfers)	-	-	-	1	-	1	2	-	2	-	1	1
Cases removed (removed, recovered, died)	1	2	3	1	1	2	1	-	1	-	1	1
Cases remaining on register	138	106	244	138	106	244	140	107	247	140	107	247
<b><u>Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis:-</u></b>												
Number of cases on Register	14	18	32	14	18	32	14	18	32	15	18	33
New notifications	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
Cases removed and subsequently restored	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other cases added to register (Inward Transfers)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cases removed, (Removed, recovered, died)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cases remaining on Register	14	18	32	14	18	32	15	18	33	15	18	33

# TUBERCULOSIS - SUMMARY OF CASES

	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	TOTAL
	M A L E		F E M A L E		
Cases on Register at beginning of year	139	14	104	18	275
Cases added ... ..	4	1	7	-	12
Cases removed ... ..	3	-	4	-	7
Cases remaining on register	140	15	107	18	280

## TUBERCULOSIS

The following table shows the number of cases Tuberculosis and deaths from Tuberculosis for the past ten years.

YEAR	N E W C A S E S				TOTAL	D E A T H S				TOTAL
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary			Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		
	M	F	M	F		M	F	M	F	
* 1968	1	6	1	-	8	2	-	-	-	2
1967	5	2	-	1	8	-	-	-	-	-
* 1966	3	3	-	1	7	1	-	-	-	1
1965	2	1	-	1	4	-	-	-	-	-
* 1964	17	6	3	-	26	4	-	-	-	4
1963	3	1	1	1	6	2	-	-	-	2
1962	5	2	-	2	9	-	-	-	-	-
* 1961	11	4	-	-	15	3	-	-	-	3
1960	10	1	1	-	12	2	-	-	-	2
1959	8	5	-	-	13	1	-	-	-	1

\* Denotes year Mass Radiography Unit visited the Town

LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE BOROUGH  
provided by the Kent County Council.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

Enquiries relating to ambulance service matters and requests for ambulance transport are dealt with by the Kent County Council Ambulance Service from their station at 86a, Speldhurst Road, Southborough. (Telephone Tunbridge Wells 23222).

PRINCIPAL WELFARE OFFICER.

Mr. G. H. Foster,  
Kent County Council District Office,  
39, Grove Hill Road,  
Tunbridge Wells. Telephone - Tunbridge Wells 23342. .

DOMICILIARY MIDWIFERY.

The County Council arranges for the free attendance of midwives upon patients who are to be confined at home. The name and address of the appropriate midwife for any particular district is usually known to the patient's doctor, but can be obtained from the District Office of the County Council.

HOME NURSING SERVICE.

The County Council provides a service free of charge for the attendance on persons whose doctors require them to be nursed in their own homes. The nurses attendance is normally arranged by the doctor, but the name and address of the appropriate nurse for any particular district is obtained from the District Office of the County Council.

DOMESTIC HELP SERVICE

Domestic Help service may be provided in households where it is needed owing to the presence of a person who is ill, lying-in, an expectant mother, mentally subnormal, aged or a child not over compulsory school age, but only where there is no able-bodied person in the household capable of carrying out the necessary household duties.

AREA DOMESTIC HELP ORGANISER - Miss L. McEwan,  
39, Grove Hill Road,  
Tunbridge Wells.  
Telephone - Tunbridge Wells 23342.

NIGHT AND EVENING SERVICE.

Evening Service is provided for elderly people who are bedridden or housebound and have no one to assist them to prepare for the night and includes the provision of a light meal or hot drink and attention to fires. Night Service is provided, for no longer than three weeks unless there are



exceptional circumstances, for the care of seriously ill people who are living in their own homes and who need attention during the night. In some cases the service is provided for one to three nights a week to give relief to relatives.

#### FAMILY CARE SERVICE.

After consultation with the Children's Department, this service is provided for the short-term care of children in their own homes during the absence of the mother by reason of admission to hospital for illness or confinement or in other special circumstances. Help is given only to families where care of at least two children is involved and the period of service is limited to three months.

#### FAMILY WELFARE SERVICE.

This service is provided, with the parent's consent, in households where the habits, behaviour and standards of living of the family are much below those generally accepted in the society in which they live. The three main objectives of the service are to raise the standard of living of the families, to improve the welfare of the children, and to keep the families together and prevent their break-up. Intensive training for a period of three months is given and this is succeeded by a follow-on service for nine months. In families where there is medical evidence of mental subnormality the continuance of the service after the initial period of three months may be approved for not more than twelve hours a week until the youngest child reaches compulsory school age.

#### HEALTH VISITORS.

Mrs.G.Alsford	Miss M.T.Durcan
Miss M.M.Brereton	Miss E.C.Lazzell
Miss D.M.Sorrell.	

#### OLD PEOPLE'S HOMES:

Court Royal, Eridge Road.	(Tel:Tunbridge Wells 30391)
Pembury Grange, Sandown Park.	(Tel:Pembury 2250)
Sandhurst, Sandhurst Road.	(Tel:Tunbridge Wells 23377)

## TREATMENT CENTRES AND CLINICS

The following table gives details of the various treatment centres and clinics operated by the Kent County Council.

Clinics and Treatment Centres	Sessions	
	Days	Times
<u>CHILD WELFARE CENTRES:-</u> 9-10, Calverley Terrace, Crescent Road.  St. Paul's Parish Hall, High Street, Rusthall.  St. Luke's Church Hall, 36, Silverdale Road.	Tuesday and Thursday  Thursday  Wednesday	2p.m. - 4p.m.  2p.m.  2p.m.
<u>MOTHELCRAFT, EXERCISE AND RELAXATION CLASSES</u> 9-10, Calverley Terrace, Crescent Road.	Every Friday	2p.m. - 4p.m.
* <u>CYTOLOGY CLINIC</u> 9-10, Calverley Terrace, Crescent Road.	Wednesday	2p.m. - 3p.m.
<u>SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE:</u> <u>Minor Ailment Clinic:</u> 9-10, Calverley Terrace, Crescent Road.	Wednesday	9a.m. - 12 noon
* <u>OPHTHALMIC CLINIC:</u> 9-10, Calverley Terrace, Crescent Road.	Monday	9a.m.
<u>SPEECH THERAPY CLINIC:</u> 9-10, Calverley Terrace, Crescent Road.	Monday to Friday	All day, commencing 9 a.m.
* <u>DENTAL CLINIC:</u> 9-10, Calverley Terrace, Crescent Road.	Monday to Friday	9.30a.m.
* <u>CHILD GUIDANCE CLINIC</u> 3, Mount Ephraim Road.	Monday to Friday	All day

\* By appointment only.

SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD

CLINIC	DAYS	TIMES
<u>CHEST CLINIC:</u> Out-Patient Department, Kent & Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells.	Fridays	9a.m. to 10a.m. (Children only) 10a.m. to 12.30p.m. 2.0p.m. to 4.30p.m.
<u>CLINIC FOR TREATMENT OF VENEREAL DISEASES:-</u> Kent & Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells.	Tuesdays (Females) Tuesdays (Males)	10.0a.m. to 11.0a.m. 11.0a.m. to 12 noon.

HOSPITALS

The following are the hospitals under the jurisdiction of the Regional Hospital Board which provide service for the Borough:-

Pembury Hospital, Pembury, Tunbridge Wells.

The Kent & Sussex Hospital, Mount Ephraim, Tunbridge Wells.

The Homeopathic Hospital, Church Road, Tunbridge Wells.

The Tunbridge Wells & District Maternity Home, Calverley Park Gardens,  
Tunbridge Wells.

Hawkenbury Hospital, Benhall Mill Road, Tunbridge Wells.

LABORATORY SERVICE

The Public Health Laboratory Service under the Directorship of Dr. A. L. Furniss, provided excellent facilities during the year for examination of specimens together with the Laboratory at the Kent & Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 (as amended)

Section 47 of the National Assistance Act. (Removal to suitable premises of persons in need of care and attention).

I am pleased to report that no action was necessary under this Section during the year.

STAFF MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS:

A total of fifty-eight medical examinations for superannuation purpose were carried out including seven for other Authorities.

INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATES OF VACCINATION.

One thousand three hundred and ninety-six certificates requiring the signature of the doctor authenticated were dealt with during the year.

REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES.

	Number of Homes	Number of beds provided for:-		
		Maternity	Others	Total
(a) Homes first registered during year ...	2	-	36	36
(b) Homes whose registrations were withdrawn ...	3	-	33	33
(c) Homes on register at end of year ...	12	-	180	180



# IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION

The following table shows the figures for 1968 based on the return sent to the Department of Health and Social Security.

YEAR OF BIRTH	P R I M A R Y					R E I N F O R C I N G						
	Triple Antigen	Diphtheria Tetanus	Small- pox	Tetanus	Measles	Polio myelitis	Triple Antigen	Diphtheria Tetanus	Small- pox	Tetanus	Measles	Polio mye- litis
1968	294	-			3	186	-	-				
1967	356	10	355		37	498	25	5				
1966	13	1			50	74	151	75		1		
1965	5	-			44	32	49	36				
1964	4	1			72	9	19	28		3		26
1961-1963	7	1		8	254	1	136	295	13	5		426
1952-1960	1	-		51	1	-	18	19		45		3
TOTAL:-	680	13	355	59	461	800	398	458	13	54		455

## SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT.

1. Water Supply: New water mains have been laid to serve the various housing estates under development and existing mains have been relaid in St.Mark's Road, Montacute Road, Linden Road and Carlton Road.

Examination reports on water samples taken by the Public Health Department during the year were as follows:-

	Bacteriological Examination			Chemical Examination		
	No.of Samples	Satis-factory	Not satis-factory	No.of Samples	Satis-factory	Not satis-factory
Statutory supply undertakings	59	59	-	-	-	-
Private sources piped to dwellings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other private sources	-	-	-	-	-	-

All the properties in the Borough are supplied by public water mains with the exception of 6 houses which have private supplies.

Fluoride Content - The Hayes Den, Pembury Boreholes and Saints Hill supplies have a natural fluoride content of 0.2ppm.

2. Drainage and Sewerage Disposal: During the year 825 lin yards of new sewer were laid in addition to the reconstruction of 96 lin yards. 112 sewer swabs were taken from thirteen premises and salmonella organisms were isolated from eighteen.

3. Refuse Collection and Disposal:

Approximate number of bins in Borough - 20,500.

Amount of refuse removed - 13,000 tons.

A new refuse disposal plant involving pulverisation came into use at North Farm Sewage Works on 1st April. This method also facilitates the disposal of sewage sludge which can be mixed with the treated refuse to form a useful compost.

4. Swimming Pools:

Number of public swimming pools. 1.

Number of school swimming pools 2.

Number of private swimming pools 1.

Number of visits made during year 16.

Number of samples taken:

Satisfactory 23.

Unsatisfactory Nil.

5. Inspection of the District:

Number of complaints received and investigated	478
Total number of visits of all kinds paid by Inspectors during the year	6,603
Informal Notices: Served during year	104
Complied with during year	47
Statutory Notices: Served during year	48
Complied with during year	
(a) by owners	30
(b) by Local Authority in default	11
Legal proceedings taken during year	Nil

Summary of Inspections and Visits by Public Health Inspectors during the year:

Housing	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,534
Nuisances, etc., (not included under Housing)	...	...	...	...	...	...	148
Visits to Food Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,523
Visits re Food Complaints	...	...	...	...	...	...	31
Swimming Pools	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
Factories Act, 1961	...	...	...	...	...	...	120
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963	...	...	...	...	...	...	534
Shops Acts, 1950/65	...	...	...	...	...	...	-
Petroleum Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	-
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949	...	...	...	...	...	...	51
Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Agriculture (Safety & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Pet Animals Act, 1951	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
Animals Boarding Establishments Act, 1963	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Riding Establishments Act, 1964	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964	...	...	...	...	...	...	-
Offensive Trades	...	...	...	...	...	...	-
Knackers' Yards	...	...	...	...	...	...	-
Hop Pickers' Camps	...	...	...	...	...	...	-
Caravan Sites	...	...	...	...	...	...	-
Atmospheric Pollution Prevention	...	...	...	...	...	...	171
Noise Abatement	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Infectious Disease Visits	...	...	...	...	...	...	35
Meat Inspections at Slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	412
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	...	357

6. Disinfestation:

An increasing number of human and animal flea infestations were treated by the Rodent Operative during the year.

Fleas 20. Flies 4. Cockroaches 6. Ants 1. Beetles 4.

7. Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949.

## PROPERTIES OTHER THAN SEWERS

PROPERTIES OTHER THAN SEWERS	Type of Property	
	Non-Agricultural	Agricultural
1. Number of properties in district	14,303	39
2. (a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	521	-
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	334	-
(ii) Mice	187	-
3. (a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	509	34
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	-	3
(ii) Mice	-	-
<u>SEWERS</u> - Was sewer treatment carried out?	Yes	
4. Were any sewers infested by rats during the year	YES/	
8. <u>Rag, Flock &amp; Other Filling Materials Act, 1951</u> .....	Nil	
9. <u>Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957.</u>		
Number of licensed premises .....	3	
Number of inspections made during the year .....	11	
10. <u>Agriculture (Safety &amp; Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956.</u>		
Number of inspections made and details of contraventions found	Nil	
11. <u>Pet Animals Act, 1951.</u>		
Number of premises licensed .....	10	
Number of visits made .....	15	
12. <u>Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963.</u>		
Number of premises licensed .....	3	
Number of visits made .....	7	
13. <u>Riding Establishments Act, 1964.</u>		
Number of licences issued .....	1	
14. <u>Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964.</u>		
Number of dealers registered .....	17	



15. Clean Air Act, 1956.

The measurement of atmospheric pollution continued during the year and the following table shows the average monthly readings:-

Month	Smoke	SO <sub>2</sub>	Smoke/SO <sub>2</sub> Ratio
January	64	100	.64
February	78	111	.70
March	NO RESULTS		
April	25	65	.38
May	14	61	.23
June	10	55	.18
July	6	50	.12
August	8	58	.14
September	11	55	.20
October	28	44	.64
November	44	56	.65
December	59	71	.80

During the year 29 smoke observations were made and any problems arising were resolved by discussion with the Managements concerned. A total of 50 complaints were received mostly with reference to garden bonfires. Nine notifications were received of intention to install furnace plant and in each case it was capable of being operated smokelessly. Two plans showing the heights of new chimneys were approved.

16. Factories Act, 1961 - Part 1 of the Act.

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors.

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written notices (4)	Occupiers prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2, 3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	122	13	Nil	Nil
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	178	59	Nil	Nil
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	21	45	Nil	Nil
Total .....	321	117	Nil	Nil

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences					
(a) Insufficient	1	1	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	3	3	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	1	1	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	2	2	-	-	-
Total:-	7	7	-	-	-

PART VIII OF THE ACT

Outwork  
(Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of Work  (1)	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 133 (1) (c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4)	No. of instances of work in un-wholesome premises (5)	Notices served (6)	Prosecutions (7)
Wearing apparel } Making etc:	1	—	—	—	—	—
} Cleaning and Washing	1	—	—	—	—	—
Household linen	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lace, lace curtains and nets	—	—	—	—	—	—
Curtains and furniture hangings	—	—	—	—	—	—
Furniture and upholstery	—	—	—	—	—	—
Electro Plate	—	—	—	—	—	—
File making	—	—	—	—	—	—
Brass and brass articles	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fur pulling	—	—	—	—	—	—
Iron and steel cables & chains	—	—	—	—	—	—
Iron & steel anchors & grapnels	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cart gear	—	—	—	—	—	—
Locks, latches & keys	—	—	—	—	—	—
Umbrellas, etc.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Artificial flowers	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nets, other than wire nets	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tents	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sacks	—	—	—	—	—	—
Racquet & Tennis balls	—	—	—	—	—	—

PART VIII OF THE ACT (Cont'd)

Outwork  
(Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of Work  (1)	Section 133			Section 134		
	No.of out- workers in August list required by Section 133 (1) (c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No.of prose- cutions for failure to supply lists (4)	No.of in- stances of work in un- wholesome premises (5)	Not- ices served (6)	Prose- cutions (7)
Paper bags	-	-	-	-	-	-
The making of boxes or other receptacles or parts thereof made wholly or partially of paper	1	-	-	-	-	-
Brush making	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pea picking	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feather sorting	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carding,etc.of buttons etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stuffed toys	-	-	-	-	-	-
Basket making	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chocolates and sweetmeats	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cosaques, Christmas Stockings etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Embroidery Design	1	-	-	-	-	-
Lampshades	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total ...	4	-	-	-	-	-



OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

(A) Registration and General Inspections

Class of Premises	Number of premises registered during year	Number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during year
Offices	15	241	140
Retail Shops	20	356	243
Wholesale shops, Warehouses	3	38	16
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	3	32	122
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-
Totals:	41	667	521

Total number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors  
to registered premises under the Act ... 534

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

(B) Analysis of Contraventions.

Section	Contraventions	No: Found	Section	Contraventions	No: Found
4	Cleanliness	43	13	Sitting facilities	-
5	Overcrowding	-	14	Seats (Sedentary Workers)	-
6	Temperature	13	15	Eating Facilities	1
7	Ventilation	1	16	Floors, passage & stairs	22
8	Lighting	1	17	Fencing exposed parts machinery	2
9	Sanitary Conveniences	3	18	Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery	-
10	Washing Facilities	19	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	-
11	Supply of Drinking Water	-	23	Prohibition of heavy work	-
12	Clothing Accommodation	-	24	First Aid General Provisions	1
				TOTAL:-	184

The necessary action was taken to remedy these contraventions.

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

(C) Exemptions:-

Number of applications received	...	...	Nil
Number of applications granted	...	...	Nil
(i) Space	...	...	-
(ii) Temperature	...	...	-
(iii) Sanitary Conveniences	...	...	-
(iv) Running Water	...	...	-

(D) Prosecutions:-

Number instituted and completed during the year Nil

(E) Reported Accidents:-

Workplace	Number Reported	Total Number Investigated	Action Recommended			No Action
			Prose-cution	Formal Warning	Informal Advice	
Offices	-	-	-	-	-	-
Retail Shops	14	5	Nil	-	-	14
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	2	-	-	-	-	2
Catering Establishments open to public, canteens	4	1	-	-	-	4
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS:	20	6	-	-	-	20

ANALYSIS OF REPORTED ACCIDENTS

	Offices	Retail Shops	Wholesale Warehouses	Catering Establishments open to public, canteens.	Fuel Storage Depots
Machinery	-	-	-	-	-
Transport	-	-	-	-	-
Falls of persons	-	4	1	1	-
Stepping on or striking against object or person	-	2	-	-	-
Handling goods	-	6	1	2	-
Struck by falling object	-	3	-	-	-
Fires and Explosions	-	-	-	1	-
Electricity	-	-	-	-	-
Use of hand tools	-	-	-	-	-
Not otherwise specified	-	-	-	-	-

## HOUSING

### (A) Repair - Housing and Public Health Acts.

Number of houses rendered fit after service of notices:

	Section 9, 10 and 16 Housing Act 1957		Public Health and similar Local Acts		Totals	
	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal
(a) By Owner	-	-	69	20	69	20
(b) By Local Authority	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals:	-	-	69	20	69	20

### (B) Beyond Repair - Housing Act 1957

Number of	(i)	Undertakings accepted (section 16)	-
	(ii)	Closing Orders made (section 17)	21
	(iii)	Demolition Orders made (section 17)	-
	(iv)	Closing Orders made (section 18)	3
	(v)	Closing Orders determined (section 27)	2
	(vi)	Closing Orders revoked and Demolition Orders substituted (section 28)	-
	(vii)	Houses demolished following Demolition Orders	-
	(viii)	No: of people displaced - (a) Persons	37
		(b) Families	22

During the year the Council adopted the Model Regulations relating to underground rooms.

### (C) Clearance Areas

#### (1) Represented during Year:

(i)	Number of areas	-
(ii)	Houses unfit for human habitation	-
(iii)	Houses included by reason of bad arrangement, etc.	-
(iv)	Houses on land acquired under 43(2)	-
(v)	Numbers of people to be displaced (a) Individuals	-
	(b) Families	-

#### (2) Action taken during the Year.

(i)	Houses demolished by Local Authorities or Owners	
	(a) Unfit	-
	(b) Others	-
(ii)	Numbers of people displaced	
	(a) Individuals	-
	(b) Families	-

(3)	Purchase of houses by agreement	...	...	...	-
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(D) Improvement Grants

(1) Standard

- (i) Number of applications received
- (ii) Number of applications approved
- (iii) Number of applications refused
- (iv) Number of dwellings improved

Owner/Occupiers	Tenanted
55	26
54	26
1	-
49	18

	£.	s.	d.
(v) Amount paid in grants	9,287.	6.	11.
(vi) Average grant per house	138.	10.	0.

(vii) Amenities provided:

- (a) fixed bath
- (b) shower
- (c) wash hand basin
- (d) hot water supply (to any fittings)
- (e) water closet (1) within dwelling
- (2) Accessible from dwelling
- (f) food store

57
-
60
64
53
-
36

(2) Discretionary

- (i) Number of applications received
- (ii) Number of applications approved
- (iii) Number of applications refused
- (iv) Number of dwellings improved

Owner/Occupiers	Tenanted
3	12
3	12
-	-
2	1

(v) Amount paid in grants	£1,215.	0s.	0d.
(vi) Average grant per house	£405.	0s.	0d.

(E) Improvement Areas - Housing Act 1964

(1) Number of	(i) Areas	(a) Surveyed	-
		(b) Declared	2
	(ii) Houses to be improved	(a) full standard	32
		(b) reduced standard	2
	(iii) Preliminary Notices served		46
	(iv) Undertakings accepted		-
	(v) Immediate improvement notices served		3
	(vi) Suspended improvement notices served		15
	(vii) Final improvement notices served		-
	(viii) Dwellings improved	(a) full standard	-
		(b) reduced standard	-

(2) Dwellings outside improvement area

(i) Number of representations made by tenants	-
(ii) Number of preliminary notices served	-
(iii) Number of undertakings accepted	-
(iv) Number of immediate improvement notices served	-
(v) Number of such dwellings improved	
	(a) full standard -
	(b) reduced standard -

(F) Houses in Multiple Occupation

(1) Number of notices served

(a) To require additional services or facilities	-
(b) Giving directions on overcrowding	-
(c) Where work has been carried out in default	-

(2) Details regarding separate occupancies in houses in multiple occupation:

Number of houses with the following number of separate occupancies,	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Over 12
	30	21	10	5	1	2	1	3	-	1	-	1

Land Charge Enquiries.

During the year 1,185 enquiries regarding various properties were dealt with and every assistance given to bona fide callers.

Number of site licences issued	-
Total number of caravans permitted on licensed sites	-
Number of sites (if any) licensed for Movable Dwellings, other than caravans, with particulars	-

Number registered in District	-
Number of visits	-
Account of any action taken to improve conditions	-

## 1. Milk Supplies

- |  |    |
|--|----|
| (a) Number of registered distributors  | 47 |
| Number of registered dairies - Wholesale   | 1  |
| Retail   | 1  |
| (b) Comments on structural and other improvements<br>to dairies during the year: | -  |

<u>Milk Sampling</u>	<u>Number of Samples taken</u>	<u>Number of Unsatisfactory Samples</u>
Untreated	19	—
Pasteurised	97	1 *
Sterilised	—	—

## 2. Ice Cream

Number of premises registered - (a) for the manufacture of	
ice cream	3
(b) for the sale of ice	
cream	165

Grade 1	...	...	17
Grade 2	...	...	1
Grade 3	...	...	-
Grade 4	...	...	-



INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD (Continued .... )

3. Gerber Testing

The routine testing of milk and milk products by this method from 37 registered distributors was continued in the Department during the year, with the following results:-

(a) MILK - 65 Samples were taken.

	Fat.	Solids not fat	Total Solids
Channel Islands (Pasteurised)	4.5	8.7	13.4
Untreated     ...     ...	4.6	9.3	13.8
Pasteurised     ...     ...	3.7	8.9	12.7
Ultra Heat Treated (1 only)	3.1	8.8	11.9

(b) DAIRY CREAM - Samples were taken.

AVERAGE FAT CONTENT %

Double Cream	52%	(48%)
Sterilised Cream	25%	(23%)
Jersey Cream	50%	(48%)
Various Cream Cakes	43%	

(Regulation Standards in brackets)

4. Premises registered for the Manufacture of Preserved Foods.

<u>Classification</u>	<u>No. on Register</u>
Fish Fryers                    .....	7
Manufacturers of Sausages, or potted, pressed, pickled or preserved food                    .....	37

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD (Continued ....)

5. Slaughterhouses

Number in District     ...     ...     1

Carcases Inspected and Condemned

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed (if known)	1,132	172	494	3,276	5,394	-
Number inspected	1,132	172	494	3,276	5,394	-
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	1	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	246	45	3	264	835	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	21.5%	26%	0.6%	7.7%	15.5%	-

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD (Continued ....)

Carcases Inspected and Condemned

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lamb	Pigs	Horses
<u>Tuberculosis only</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	—	—	—	—	—	—
<u>Cysticercosis</u>						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	7	—	—	—	2	—
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	—	—	—	—	—	—
Generalised and totally condemned	—	—	1	—	—	—

Number of slaughtermen's licences renewed during the year ... 6

Number of new licences issued during the year ... Nil

Samples obtained during 1968 under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955.

Table 1

Nature of Sample	TOTAL NUMBER TAKEN	INFORMAL			FORMAL		
		Satis- factory	Unsatis- factory	TOTAL	Satis- factory	Unsatis- factory	TOTAL
Almonds	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Anchovy Paste	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Apple Drink	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Apricot Chutney	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Beef Curry	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Bread	2	-	2	2	-	-	-
Broad Beans	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
Bun (with insect)	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
Butter	2	2	-	2	-	-	-
Christmas Pudding	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Coffee & Chicory Essence	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Crab & Lobster Pâté	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Cranberry Sauce	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Currant Bun	3	1	2	3	-	-	-
Dripping	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Fish Cakes	3	3	-	3	-	-	-
Flour	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Fruit Pie	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
Gin	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Grapefruit Drink	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Ham & Beef Rissoles	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Kaolin & Morphine Mix:	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Lard	6	6	-	6	-	-	-
Lemon Mayonnaise	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Lemon Curd	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Liver Pâté	2	2	-	2	-	-	-
Liver Sausage	2	2	-	2	-	-	-
Totals:-	40	32	7	39	1	-	1

Samples obtained during 1968 under the Food & Drugs Act, 1955.

Table II

Nature of Sample	TOTAL NUMBER TAKEN	INFORMAL		TOTAL	FORMAL		TOTAL
		Satis- factory	Unsatis- factory		Satis- factory	Unsatis- factory	
Marmalade	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
Marzipan	2	2	-	2	-	-	-
Meat Pasties	2	2	-	2	-	-	-
Milk	3	-	3	3	-	-	-
Minced Meat	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Nut Oil	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Orange Squash	2	2	-	2	-	-	-
Pork Pie	4	4	-	4	-	-	-
Risotto	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Rheumatish Tablets	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Salmon Spread	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Sausages - Beef	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Sausages - Pork	13	11	2	13	-	-	-
Sausage Meat (Pork)	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Soothing Powders	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Soup	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Steak & Kidney	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Sucron Sweetener	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Tea	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Tizer	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Vinegar	3	3	-	3	-	-	-
Witch Hazel	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Totals:-	44	38	6	44	-	-	-

Of the 13 unsatisfactory informal samples 12 were the subject of complaints concerning foreign bodies about which warning letters were sent. A home made marmalade was low in soluble solids which was rectified after discussion with the person responsible. In one instance a sample of pork sausage contained preservative which should have been declared.

#### PESTICIDE RESIDUES IN FOODSTUFFS.

Three samples were taken under the County Council's Association Scheme. No Pesticide Residues were detected in any of the samples.



6. Food Premises subject to the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960.

CATEGORY OF TRADE	Number in District	Number fitted to comply with Reg.16 (wash basins)	Number to which Reg.19 applies (provision of sinks, etc.)	Number fitted to comply with Reg.19.
Bakehouse & Bakers Shops	22	22	22	22
Butchers shops	26	26	26	26
Cafes, restaurants	47	47	47	47
Fish shops	13	13	13	13
Greengrocers	36	36	36	36
Grocers and Mixed	106	106	106	106
Hotels	23	23	23	23
Ice Cream Factory	1	1	1	1
Licensed Premises	57	57	57	57
Market (covered)	1	1	1	1
Nursing Homes and Old Peoples Homes	38	38	38	38
School and other Canteens	27	27	27	27
Sweet and Cake Shops	40	40	40	40
Wholesale Meat Depots	4	4	4	4
Other Food Premises	3	3	1	1

General remarks on Food Premises.

The preparation and handling of food has been carefully observed and there is no doubt that it is only by the regular visit by the Inspector that the confidence of the Management and the food handlers can be gained. Food hygiene can never achieve success through fear either of the Local Authority or the Official. Its principles can only apply if the behaviour of food handlers is the same in the Official's absence as in his presence.

Food Stalls and Vehicles. - Nil

Food Factories - Nil

7. The Liquid Egg (Pasteurisation) Regulations, 1963.

Number of egg pasteurisation plants in the district ..... Nil  
 Number of samples of liquid egg submitted to the  
 Alpha-Amylase test and their results ..... Nil

8. Poultry Inspection.

Number of poultry processing premises within the district ..... Nil  
 Number of visits to these premises ..... Nil  
 Total number of birds processed during the year ..... Nil  
 Types of birds rejected - e.g. turkeys, ducks, hens,  
 broilers, capons, etc ..... Nil  
 Percentage of birds rejected as unfit for human consumption ..... Nil  
 Weight of poultry condemned as unfit for human consumption ..... Nil  
 Comments on poultry processing and inspection ..... Nil

9. Unsound Food.

Food condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption:

	<u>Tons.</u>	<u>Cwt.</u>	<u>Qrs.</u>	<u>lbs.</u>	<u>ozs.</u>
Fish .....	-	1	-	-	-
Meat .....	-	19	2	12	4
Tinned Foods .....	-	5	-	2	-
Other Food .....	-	8	2	18	-

The method of disposal of condemned food: Unsound meat is coloured with vegetable dye and collected for conversion into commercial bye-products. Tinned food is disposed of at the Corporation tip.



SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1968

			Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
LIVE  BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE:	Male	108	288	89	52	276	287	350	1,450
		Female	118	289	93	52	241	271	297	1,361
		Total	226	577	182	104	517	558	647	2,811
	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male	9	16	14	3	110	11	33	96
		Female	7	25	2	4	111	20	34	103
		Total	16	41	16	7	21	31	67	199
	TOTAL LIVE BIRTHS		242	618	198	111	538	589	714	3,010
CRUDE BIRTH RATE per 1,000 of mid year population 1968		14.7	14.2	10.9	11.3	18.4	20.4	16.3	15.9	
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar-General		1.26	1.07	1.13	1.14	1.03	0.98	1.10	-	
ADJUSTED BIRTH RATE		18.5	15.2	12.3	12.9	18.9	20.0	17.9	-	
STILL  BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE:	Male	-	5	2	-	5	2	4	18
		Female	2	2	1	1	3	5	4	18
		Total	2	7	3	1	8	7	8	36
	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	2
		Female	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	3
		Total	-	2	-	1	1	-	1	5
	TOTAL STILL BIRTHS		2	9	3	2	9	7	9	41
STILL BIRTH RATE per 1,000 (live and still) births		8	14	15	18	16	12	12	13.4	
TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS		244	627	201	113	547	596	723	3,051	





	Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
INFANT DEATHS (under one year) <div> Male Female Total </div>	3	5	1	2	4	7	8	30
	3	5	1	1	2	3	3	18
	6	10	2	3	6	10	11	48
INFANT MORTALITY RATES:								
All infants per 1,000 live births	25	16	10	27	11	17	15	15.9
NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births	12.4	12.9	0.0	9.0	5.6	10.2	9.8	9.3
EARLY NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births	12.4	11.3	0.0	9.0	5.6	10.2	7.0	8.3
PERI-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live and still births	20	26	15	27	22	22	19	21.6
MATERNAL MORTALITY (including abortion)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
DEATHS <div> Male Female Total </div>	101	187	100	65	173	145	309	1,080
	102	247	127	74	124	150	455	1,279
	203	434	227	139	297	295	764	2,359
CRUDE DEATH RATE per 1,000 of mid year population 1968	12.3	10.0	12.5	14.2	10.2	10.2	17.4	12.4
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar General	0.92	1.05	0.80	0.84	0.87	0.96	0.57	-
ADJUSTED DEATH RATE	11.3	10.5	10.0	11.9	8.9	9.8	9.9	-

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)  
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(1)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area		Total
	M	F	
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	2	-	2
Other Tuberculosis	-	1	1
Bacillary Dysentery, Amoebiasis	1	-	1
Enteritis and other Diarrhoeal Diseases	1	-	1
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	1	2	3
Malignant Neoplasm - Stomach	27	19	46
Malignant Neoplasm - Lung, Bronchus	84	18	102
Malignant Neoplasm - Breast	1	54	55
Malignant Neoplasm - Uterus	-	13	13
Leukaemia	3	4	7
Other Malignant Neoplasms, etc.	127	118	245
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms	2	1	3
Diabetes Mellitus	3	3	6
Avitaminoses, etc.	-	1	1
Other Endocrine, etc., Diseases	2	2	4
Anaemias	6	4	10
Other Diseases of Blood, etc.	5	-	5
Mental Disorders	2	2	4
Meningitis	2	1	3
Other Diseases of Nervous System, etc.	8	10	18
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	14	11	25
Hypertensive Disease	23	35	58
Ischaemic Heart Disease	292	260	552
Other Forms of Heart Disease	57	107	164
Cerebrovascular Disease	104	247	351
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	46	68	114
Influenza	10	18	28
Pneumonia	73	111	184
Bronchitis and Emphysema	63	25	88
Asthma	2	3	5
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	10	13	23

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Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tonbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
-	-	2	3	3	2	2	2	7	3	7	3	6	6
8	1	13	7	9	2	1	1	16	2	17	3	20	2
-	4	-	11	-	5	1	1	-	6	-	8	-	19
-	2	-	3	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	1	-	4
-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	-	1
11	14	19	25	20	14	8	7	18	13	17	8	34	37
-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	1
-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	3	-
-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
1	-	2	1	1	2	-	-	3	1	1	2	-	4
2	1	1	5	2	2	1	1	2	-	1	2	5	-
5	1	4	7	2	2	2	5	2	1	2	5	6	14
30	22	54	53	28	20	17	13	45	33	31	27	87	92
5	11	11	11	3	7	4	4	11	14	7	14	16	46
5	15	18	37	6	26	9	14	19	24	15	31	32	100
8	4	6	13	4	6	3	2	8	2	5	8	12	33
-	1	1	7	2	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	5	8
7	8	10	27	7	18	5	6	8	10	12	13	24	29
6	4	14	7	7	-	2	3	8	3	9	3	17	5
-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	2	-
1	-	2	4	2	1	-	-	1	-	2	3	2	5

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)  
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area	Total
	M      F	
Peptic Ulcer	4      8	12
Appendicitis	-      1	1
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	5      4	9
Cirrhosis of Liver	2      3	5
Other Diseases of Digestive System	2      8	10
Nephritis and Nephrosis	4      3	7
Hyperplasia of Prostate	4      -	4
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	6      11	17
Diseases of Skin, Subcutaneous Tissue	-      1	1
Diseases of Musco-Skeletal System	1      10	11
Congenital Anomalies	9      5	14
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc.	7      5	12
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	5      8	13
Symptoms and Ill-defined Conditions	14      11	25
Motor Vehicle Accidents	14      14	28
All Other Accidents	18      19	37
Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries	9      11	20
All Other External Causes	5      6	11
TOTALS	1,080    1,279	2,359

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Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tonbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
-	3	-	1	-	2	1	-	-	1	2	-	1	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
3	-	2	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1
-	-	1	1	-	4	-	-	2	-	-	1	1	2
1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	1
-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
-	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	1	3	2	6
-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	6
2	-	2	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	4	1
-	-	1	4	-	-	1	-	1	1	3	-	1	-
1	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2	2	3
1	1	1	-	-	1	4	1	2	-	1	1	5	7
-	4	3	2	1	2	-	2	5	2	2	-	3	2
-	1	2	5	-	-	-	1	5	1	6	2	5	9
-	1	1	2	2	1	-	1	1	-	1	3	4	3
2	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
101	102	187	247	100	127	65	74	173	124	145	150	309	455







